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## Western Proposals To Russia

Paris, Feb. 19.  
The joint Western note to Russia, presented today, has proposed a Big Four deputies' conference in Paris and asked Russia to review all questions involving world tension, particularly in Eastern Europe, a French Foreign Office spokesman said today.

The note, in five points, was three pages long, he said.  
The reply covers some of the same ground as the British note to Russia on alleged violation of the Anglo-Soviet treaty.

The last Soviet note on the talks contained a volume of accusation against the Western Powers which they have felt obliged to reject before passing to the constructive side of their reply. In particular, the charge of re-arming Western Germany is believed to be disposed of in the triplicate reply along the same lines but more briefly than in the British note.

The immediate issue involved in the present exchange is the offer by the Western Powers of a hard date—March 5—for a preliminary meeting of experts in Paris to discuss an agenda for a subsequent conference of Foreign Ministers.

### REASON FOR OFFER

This offer is based on the assumption that Moscow will be prepared to discuss at least among experts in Paris, other causes of tension besides German problems, including the rearmament of Eastern Europe under Soviet direction.

Opinion is divided in London on the chances of Moscow agreeing to the Paris meeting without further exchange of notes, particularly in the light of Marshal Stalin's recent violent attack on the policies of the Western Powers.

But observers who attended earlier four-Power meetings recall that a vigorous Soviet propaganda barrage before important conferences has been the rule rather than the exception, and has not always influenced the attitude of Soviet delegates at the conference table.

Consequently, there is one school in London which sees in Premier Stalin's outburst a prelude to acceptance of a four-Power meeting rather than a rejection of the Western Powers' proposal.—Reuter.

## Policeman Slays Two Bus Passengers

Manila, February 20.  
A 70-year-old man and a nine-year-old boy were killed at Cahanatuan City, Nueva Ecija Province, when a Philippine Army soldier opened fire with a sub-machinegun on passengers on board a bus.

The soldier, arrested and gaoled, told police the 70-year-old man was acting suspiciously in the market so he followed him to the bus and shot him. The boy was sitting on the seat next to the man.—Associated Press.

## Canada's Generosity

Colombo, Ceylon, Feb. 19.  
Canada announced today she is contributing US\$25,000,000 as her share in the first year of the Colombo plan to develop South and Southeast Asia and stem the tide of Communism.

The contribution carries a condition that other countries make adequate contributions to the broad objectives of the plan, a joint 3.6 million, six-year programme to increase cultivation, build dams, launch irrigation projects, produce more food and help Asian countries to help themselves.

The announcement said Canada fully appreciates the constitutional difficulties which make it impossible for the US representative here to make a bidding statement now. However, the Canadian government has felt that its own contribution of dollar aid could not be considered without knowledge of what aid might come from the US.

The representative of the French sponsored state of Vietnam in Indo-China said he supported the Colombo plan as a "great human enterprise" and that Vietnam has prepared a plan to cost US\$57,000,000.

The Colombo plan conference ends tomorrow.—Associated Press.

## REBELS KILLED

Rangoon, Feb. 19.  
Burmese Government troops killed nine rebels and captured three in the Upper Chindwin, an official communique said today.

Government forces also re-occupied a Karen stronghold at Pauktan in a district eight miles north of Rangoon.—Reuter.

## Russia Preparing To Attack Yugoslavia Report

Paris, Feb. 19.  
Czechoslovak exiles here reported that the Soviet bloc is preparing a military attack on Yugoslavia for April 15.

A spokesman for the National Committee of Free Czechoslovakia said Valdo Clementis, former Communist Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia, had been to Yugoslavia with documents warning Marshal Tito of the plans. Underground resistance sources in Prague were said to have reported that Clementis, who has been missing several weeks, had been sent on the secret mission by Czechoslovak Titoists.

The Western notes to Russia on the proposed Big Four talks obviously were aimed at Bulgaria, Hungary and Romania. Western spokesmen lately have been expressing concern at the size of the armed forces of these satellites.

Marshal Tito has publicly estimated the size of these forces at 660,000 men, far in excess of the limits written into their peace treaties.

The authoritative Yugoslav periodical, Review of International Affairs, declared in Belgrade today that "these Soviet satellites are a component part of the armed chain of spearheads of Soviet expansion in Europe of which Eastern Germany is one of the most important links."

The journal said discussion of the armed forces was an "inevitable subject" of any Big-Four meeting.

Russia originally proposed on November 3 a Big-Four meeting to discuss the disarmament of Western Germany alone. She said Western plans to raise an army in Western Germany were most disturbing to world peace.—Associated Press.

### TITO SEEKS UNITY

Belgrade, Feb. 19.  
Marshal Tito declared here today that the preparedness of the whole Yugoslav people, with a guarantee that the country would not be split.

"This will be contrary to all statements by the Communists, which says that Yugoslavia is preparing for an aggressive war against her neighbors and against Soviet Russia—the country with the world's largest army," he told delegates of the Congress of Serbian Fighters for Freedom (Partisans).

He said that in the present situation the Fighters for Freedom must develop their movement still further and prepare

## The Best Fed Soldiers

Tokyo, Feb. 19.  
Quartermasters here today claimed that the men of the 17 nations serving under the United Nations command in Korea are the "best fed in military history."

Troops in frontline fox-holes receive an average of 3,800 calories per day in ration packages but (average) vary with nationality.

To supplement tinned rations a monthly average of 7,000 tons of fresh eggs, beef, pork, lamb, fowls, vegetables, fruit, and flour are being shipped to Korea.

British and Australian troops eat their own rations plus 20 percent of United States field rations.—Reuter.

## N. Koreans Thrown Back: New Red Concentrations Near Wonju & Hoengsong

Eight Army, Feb. 20.  
American troops today threw back attacks from the spearheads of an estimated 40,000 Chinese and North Koreans reported to be massing on the central front for an expected new drive to the south.

North Koreans attacked newly won American positions seven miles north of Chechon early on Tuesday but were beaten back after gaining only 50 yards.

The North Koreans attacked at 6.50 a.m. and one company gained 50 yards between two American companies.

After only one hour's fighting the Americans broke up the attack and took firm command of the high ground captured yesterday.

Another American force battled from 5 p.m. until midnight last night against a strong Communist patrol eight miles north-west of Chechon. The Red patrol was estimated at 300 to 500. The outcome of the fight was not reported.

The Allied division fought off a strong Red attack starting at 6.20 p.m. yesterday in the Chechon area. The division buttoned up for the night at 9 p.m.

It was in this area that a UN division gained a few miles yesterday in day-long fighting.

**NEW BUILD-UP**  
The Red Army concentrated an estimated 30,000 troops around Hoengsong and another 10,000 Chinese east of Wonju late on Monday in an apparent build-up for major attack down the Wonju-Chechon axis.

North Koreans spearheading the attack five to 10 miles north and northeast of Chechon ran into stonewall Allied resistance and a seesaw battle of attack and counter-attack raged through the rugged mountain passes until late on Monday.

Reports of the new Communist build-up on the central front were matched by indications of strong Red offensive activity on the north bank of the Han River opposite the new solid American line on the south bank.

Enemy troop concentrations reported by air and ground observers around Hoengsong and east of Wonju were the largest since the Reds launched their so far abortive central front offensive—United Press.

**BRITISH ADVANCE**  
With the British Forces On The Han River Feb. 19, British troops have reached the south bank of the Han River about 17 miles east of Seoul without meeting any stiff resistance.

Today, British tanks drove boldly along the road leading to the banks of the frozen river after they had probed deeply towards the river yesterday. Patrols which followed the tanks today swept aside sporadic resistance but mountainous terrain through which they trooped was virtually bare of the enemy.

Pte. Bill Bailey, "just a Londoner," told a Reuter correspondent when he returned home Communist snipers had planned down the 19 men.

Bailey, with one leg of his wind-proof trousers torn off, said, "I had to dive into a ditch to dodge them."

The patrol later combed the village while mortars boomed.

## Shah Of Persia's Wedding



## Live Shell Taken From Man's Body

Amazing Operation

Paris, Feb. 19.  
A French soldier in Indo-China who had an unexploded 60-millimetre mortar shell, 10 inches long, buried in his side was successfully operated on by an Army surgeon.

The soldier, 23-year-old Rene Faries, was wounded during a midnight attack and taken to hospital. The surgeon who examined him found the fins of the unexploded mortar shell under his skin. He sought the advice of a mortar expert. He was told the slightest movement of the fin would cause the shell to explode.

The expert said "the shell must be removed only by the point."

He called for volunteers to assist in the operation and when the entire staff volunteered lots were drawn to decide who would help the surgeon.

The hospital was evacuated and the surgeon and his two assistants went to work.

He withdrew from the left side the mortar shell which had miraculously missed the bone and the scudic nerve.

The shell was later exploded in an adjoining forest.

Rene is now able to walk and will soon leave hospital—London Express Service.

## Ship Damaged In Collision

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 19.  
The 7,000-ton Swedish ship Naboland was today seriously damaged in a collision with the 5,000-ton Greek steamer Michael off Rio Harbour.

No casualties were reported. The Naboland's No. 1 hold was badly damaged and the ship was towed to a shipyard for repairs.—Reuter.

## Unfit To Be Taxed

Budapest, Feb. 19.  
Hungarian courts physically unfit for military service will pay a special tax ranging from 10 to 500 a year until they are fit to serve—United Press.

## Corporation

Indicted For

Manslaughter

New Brunswick, New Jersey, Feb. 19.

Eighty-four manslaughter indictments—one for each of the lives lost in the Woodbridge commuter train wreck on February 6—were returned today against the Pennsylvania Railroad.

It was the Pennsylvania's Jersey shore train. The Broker which crashed down an embankment at Woodbridge on Feb. 6, killing 64 persons and injuring 500 others.

The indictments charged the Pennsylvania Railroad "did feloniously kill and slay" the 64 victims, each of whom was named. None of the train crew was indicted.

State legal authorities said any person convicted of manslaughter may be fined a maximum of US\$1,000 or sent to jail for a maximum of 10 years or both.

Corporations are considered persons under the law, but the prosecutor has said, "Naturally, you can't go to a corporation."

Therefore, the legal authorities said, the maximum penalty against the Railroad if it were convicted on each of the 64 counts would be a fine of US\$64,000.—Associated Press.

## Powers Extended

New Delhi, Feb. 19.  
The Indian Parliament today extended for one year powers of the government to hold without trial persons suspected of being Communists.

Communists were held in power through a series of black market dealers threatening the nation's food supply.—Associated Press.

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Marshall Plan And Defence

IN its latest report to the President, the Economic Co-operation Administration supports General Eisenhower's view that Europeans today increasingly recognise the urgent need of rearmament and are ready to proceed with it as quickly as possible. They are able to embark on such an enterprise only because their economies have been strengthened through the Marshall Plan. Thanks to that Plan, Western Europe has recovered economically far more rapidly than after the First World War. Its industrial production was 23 per cent higher by the end of last September than the pre-war average, and is presumably higher now. Even Western Germany, which five years after the First World War was floundering in a bottomless inflation, has been able to raise output 15, and according to later figures even 25, per cent above pre-war levels. This does not mean that Western Europe lives better than before the war. The European nations have had to devote much of their labour to reconstruction of war damage. But, barring a new war, Western Europe begins to see daylight again. Now, however, superimposed on

the remaining tasks of reconstruction, come the burdens of rearmament, which require both further American military assistance and a redirection of the remaining economic aid to military channels. For that reason the various American overseas aid bodies are to be simplified, consolidated and co-ordinated to serve that main purpose. But, as both President Truman and General Eisenhower have warned, Europe must do its share in the common effort, and the Economic Co-operation Administration points out two ways of doing so. The present crisis, it says, has emphasised the need for prompt adjustment of national economies so as to distribute the burdens of rearmament fairly among all income groups and thus assure popular support for it. And the same danger has made it more imperative than ever before to avoid excessive economic nationalism and to merge all West European resources, which would include those of Western Germany, into a single pool. Both steps are necessary, not only to assure economic health but even more to enable Western Europe to become the bulwark of its own defence.

### Two Impossible Restrictions

AT Lake Success a special Committee consisting of delegates of fifteen nations has been at work for some time on a new draft of a convention on "Freedom of Information." Two recommendations are not particularly appealing. One would bar "false or distorted reports which undermine friendly relations between peoples and states," and the other would ban information "likely to injure the feelings of nationals of a state." These, surely, are impossible restrictions for nations with the traditions of a free press. If news "likely to injure the feelings of nationals of a state" had been established as a criterion, not a true word would have been published in

the democratic press regarding the whole record of the Hitler government in Germany. Not a word could now be published about the Stalin government in Moscow and the Mao government in China. As for the question of "false or distorted reports" who is to decide what is false and what is distorted? Is an estimate of ten million prisoners in Soviet slave camps a "false or distorted" estimate? Who knows, when the Soviets invoke their iron censorship? If power to decide what news is "false" and what news is "distorted" were put into the hands of the government of any nation, the free press of that nation would cease to exist.

## Considering Sanctions

Lake Success, Feb. 19.  
The United Nations General Assembly Committee today met officers of the General Assembly Committee named to consider sanctions against Communist China.

The Good Offices Committee, comprising the General Assembly President, Mr. Nazimullah Entezam of Iran, Mr. Sven Grafstrom of Sweden and Dr. Luis Padilla Nervo of Mexico, was named to attempt further peace negotiations with Peking.

The sanctions group was envisaged with the same membership as the Assembly's standing Collective Measures Committee, but the refusal of two members to serve cut its membership to 12 countries. Its officers are Mr. Selim Serper of Turkey, chairman, Mr. Joseph Nisot of Belgium, vice-chairman, and Mr. Keith Shann of Australia, rapporteur.

The six men met for 90 minutes at UN New York headquarters, after which a brief communique announced that the Sanctions Committee had requested the Committee of Good Offices to maintain close contact with the Chinese people. Mr. Serper arrived in New York today.—United Press.

## Sabotage Was The Cause

Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales, Feb. 19.  
Police here disclosed today that sabotage was the cause of an explosion which rocked a 12-mile area of South Wales early yesterday morning.

A steel and concrete building housing explosives in a quarry near Treherbert, Glamorganshire, was blown up and completely disappeared. Nearby trees were shattered and telephone lines blown down.

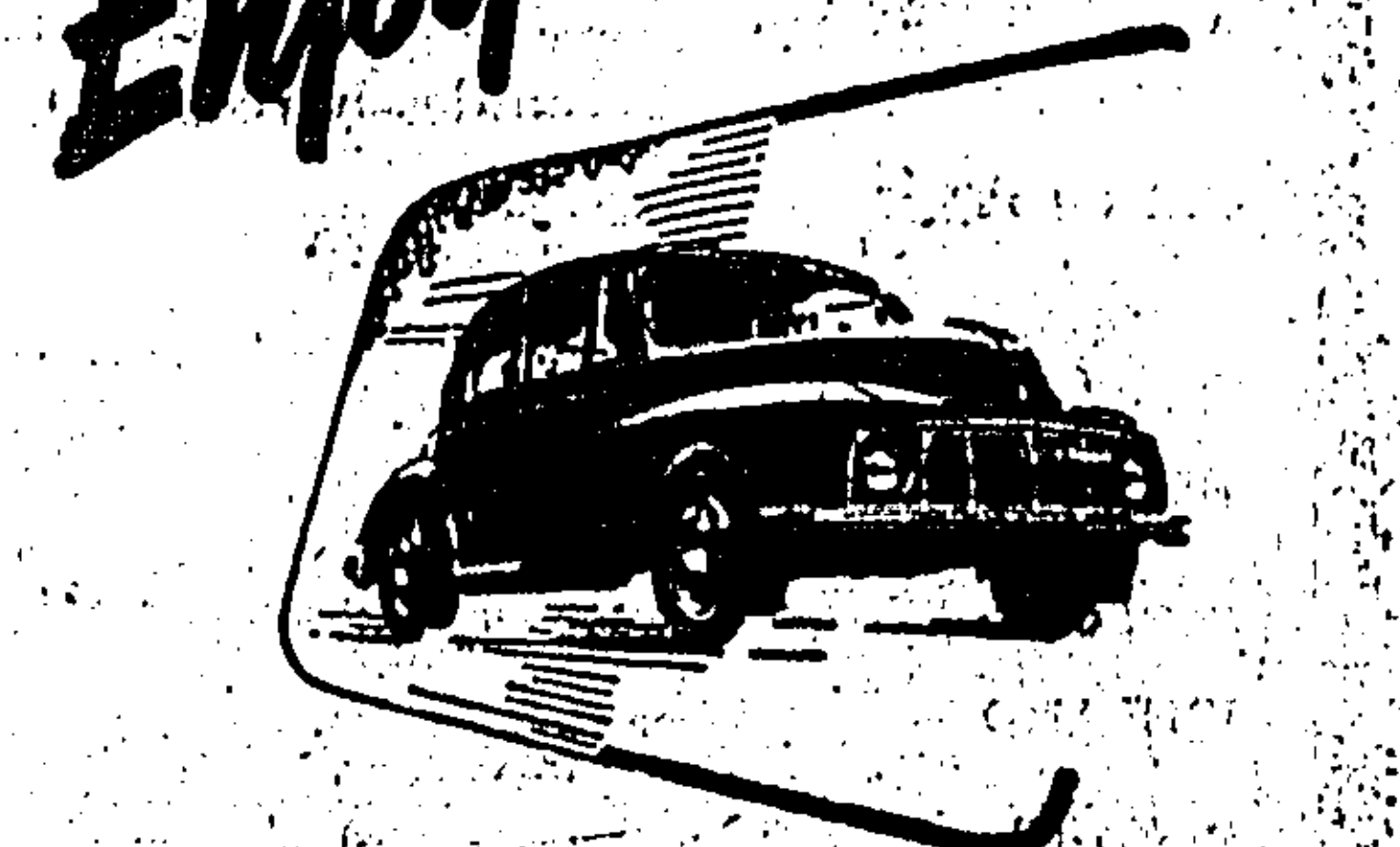
"Investigations have shown that the explosion was deliberately caused. We are now searching for the person responsible—or his remains," the police said today.

The thick steel door of the magazine was found twisted like paper more than 150 yards away up the mountainside and pieces of the interior casing have been picked up over 300 yards away.

A hole over four yards wide was found where the magazine had been.

Over 14 kilograms of gelignite, used for blasting rock, had been detonated.—Reuter.

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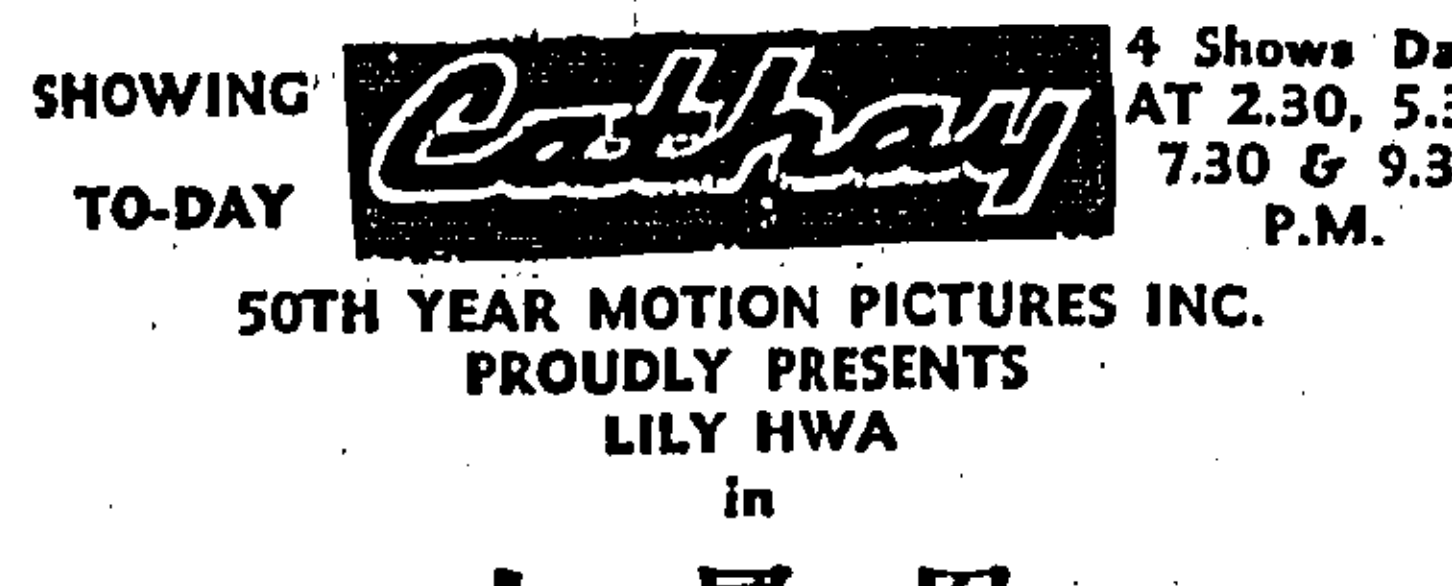
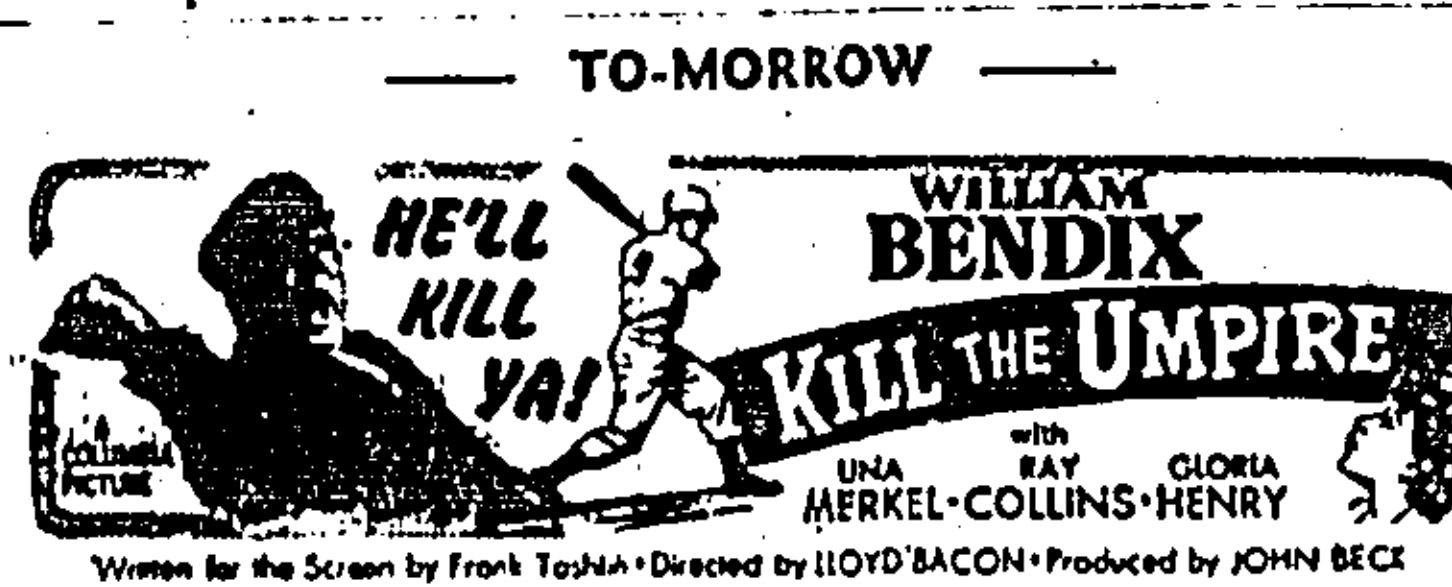
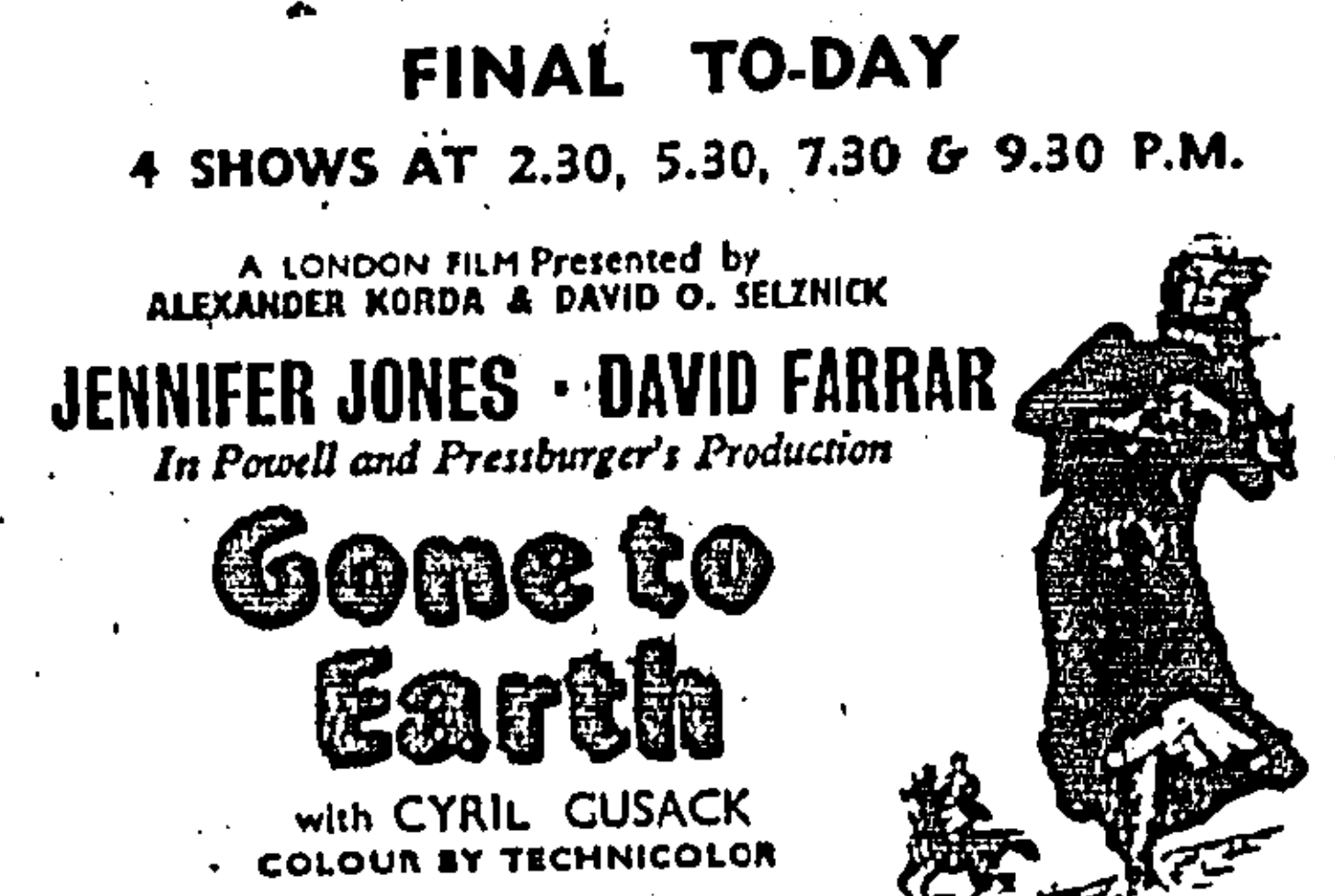




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## PEACE TREATY WITH JAPAN

## Mistakes of Versailles Must Be Avoided Says Mr Foster Dulles

Sydney, Feb. 19.

The making of a peace treaty with Japan was being considered in the light of her lack of protection against infiltration, Mr John Foster Dulles, President Truman's special envoy, said here today.

Japan's situation was most precarious, Mr Dulles said in an address to the Institute of International Affairs here. She had no Coast Guard and only a meagre police force.

If one major link in the chain of islands starting from the Aleutians and running down to New Zealand were lost, it would be impossible militarily to hold the other links in the chain.

In that chain was Japan—a geographical fact there was no way to avoid.

Mr Dulles, who concluded his talks on a Japanese peace treaty with the Australian and New Zealand External Affairs Ministers at Canberra yesterday, was breaking his journey at Sydney on his way to New Zealand.

Mr Dulles said that he was speaking without notes and the views he expressed must be regarded as his own and not attributed to the United States Government.

He said that to Soviet Communism Japan was one of the worst enemies of the world.

The Soviet Union was able to promise everything she was promising them and might fulfil her promises to a people discouraged, insecure, unhappy, under-nourished and unemployed.

The Soviet Union could give the huge amounts of raw materials to keep their industries going and turn Japan into a workshop of the Soviet Union, which would supply all the things needed to enable the Soviet Union to be militarily powerful in the East.

The combination of Soviet Russia, China and Japan, if formed, would be so powerful it could not be resisted in this part of the world," he said.

Mr Dulles said that in arranging a treaty with Japan, the mistakes of the Versailles Treaty were to be avoided.

INTERNAL SECURITY  
The way to peace with Japan was not by writing restrictive clauses into the treaty as that was the way to defeat the objective, he said. Some would say that restrictions were all right if enforced but who was to enforce them?

There was no one willing or strong enough to enforce restrictions against Germany and "the United States certainly does not feel willing to enforce restrictions against Japan."

Mr Dulles said that there was no question of rearming Japan but there was a plan to take care of her internal security and to join in a collective basis to the principles of the United Nations.

"Speaking for the United States, our effort is to try to bring about a peace settlement which will afford us the best chances of preventing the fatal tragedy that would come about if Japan should become identified with the aggressive tendencies exemplified and exhibited by Soviet Communism and Chinese Communism," he said.

Mr Dulles said: "Fortunately, the Japanese mistrust the Russians as their traditional enemies."

"But," he said, "their opposition to Communism is not as powerful as their opposition to Russia and it is only the fact that Communism springs from Russia that acts as a deterrent to the spread of Communism in Japan."

The United States was prepared, as a provisional and short-term measure, to place armed forces in and around Japan to act as a screen which would be a deterrent to Russia.

"If Russia did attack, they would be fighting American troops and would bring in the total retaliatory powers of the United States in all other quarters of the world and in other fields," he said.

Mr Dulles said that with the intense feeling in Japan, no government there could stand with a programme of rearmament, but that might not be the permanent condition of the country.

"We should try to capitalize on that feeling to make it permanent and bring Japan into such a relationship that any armaments she has in future will be integrated into our collective security planning under the United Nations."

The United Nations Charter, he said, did not require disarmament throughout the world, but force should be brought except in the common interest.

To rely on restrictions on paper, such as the Versailles Treaty would constitute a false and dangerous path down which the United States is determined not to tread.

"We want a treaty that would do nothing to revive Jingoism and nationalist groups in Japan, and we cannot get this by writing provisions into a peace treaty."

## Suffragettes Demonstrate

Cairo, Feb. 19.

One thousand five hundred Egyptian women demonstrated tonight outside Parliament demanding equal rights with men. Their demands included the right to vote, the abolition of polygamy, divorce to be made a legal process, and equal chance of work.

After holding a congress at a hall of the American University in Cairo, the Egyptian women marched to the Houses of Parliament. They were led by Madame Doria Shafik, founder of the Bint El Nil (Daughters of the Nile), Egypt's first suffragette movement, and by Madame Cesa Nabarawy, leader of the Feminist Union.

Some women tried to force their way into Parliament, but were barred by Parliamentary police.—Reuter.

## Pope's Call For Prayers For China

Vatican City, Feb. 19.

Pope Pius XII today called for special prayers for China, in a religious speech delivered to representatives of Catholic missions and to pilgrims who attended Sunday's beatification of the missionary martyr Alberico Crescetti.

Receiving the pilgrims in the Clementine Hall of his palace, the Pope told them: "Our voice and yours, beloved sons, will join that of all the martyrs of China, to invoke for China the intercession of the Queen of all martyrs with her gifts of light and grace."

Alberico Crescetti was killed in China during the Boxer revolution.—United Press.

ventive was for America to continue her protective responsibility on a large scale or allow considerable rearmament. "The communists ask the public to believe, 'No proposals of any character in rearmament were discussed or considered.'"

The Herald added: "In other words, the Japanese power vacuum was examined in a vacuum! This same tendency to evade the issue was seen in the wordy reference to Japan's relationship with the United Nations. 'Some hard Australian prejudices, rooted in unhappy memories of the past and anxieties about the future, will have to be softened by convincing arguments before the risks of anything like the MacArthur policy will be truly accepted here.'"

It concluded by saying a Pacific Pact was logical conclusion. "It is sound basis for such agreement has been laid at the Canberra conference, a great step forward will be taken."—United Press.

REAL SUCCESS  
Sydney, Feb. 19  
Despite the provocative ambiguity of the joint communiqué issued, all delegates and the Australian Cabinet felt that the Dulles talks have been a real success. All warmly praised Mr John Foster Dulles for what they describe as a high order of statesmanship and impressive sincerity in seeking their fullest points of view.

The sharpest attack on the communiqué came from the Sydney Morning Herald, which said: "The public is little wiser as to the lines on which progress has been made. It is not enough at this late stage to tell Australians that agreement was reached that Japan should not become a power vacuum and that resurgence of the old Japanese militarism would be a disaster."

The only power vacuum pre-

## US Control On Aliens Relaxed

Washington, Feb. 19.

The House today passed a bill intended to permit the entry into the United States of persons who were involuntarily members of Nazi, Fascist or other extremist but non-Communist organizations abroad.

They have been barred from coming to this country since the Alien Control Bill was passed by Congress last year.

The legislation is intended primarily to affect foreign-born wives or other relatives of American Servicemen.

It does not remove the bars against the admission of Communists.

Involuntary membership was defined as membership obtained when an individual was under 14 years of age, membership required by law, or membership obtained to receive employment, food rations or other essentials.

A similar measure was approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee today.—Reuter.

## Canadian Part In Aid To Asia

Colombo, Feb. 19.

The Canadian delegation leader, Mr David Johnson, today announced a Canadian contribution of \$25,000,000 toward implementation of the Colombo Plan for development of Southeast Asia.

Mr Johnson announced the grant at a session of the Commonwealth Consultative Committee, but added that other countries should make similarly appropriate grants.

Canada fully understood the United States' constitutional inability to pledge anything at present, but Canada had taken the Plan's conception that its contribution could not be considered apart from an American grant.

Observers from non-member countries, such as Burma, Thailand, the Philippines, Indonesia and Cambodia, said they could not make a statement on participation in the Plan but would first have to report to their governments.—United Press.

## Norway Helping South Korea

New York, Feb. 19.

The Norwegian delegation today informed the United Nations that Norway was raising by \$100,000 her contribution to Korean relief, which will now total \$800,000. Norway is also contributing \$14,000 for Palestine refugee relief.—United Press.

## Pawley's New Post

Washington, Feb. 19.

Mr William M. Pawley, former United States Ambassador to Peru and Brazil, was today appointed Assistant to the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson.

He will advise on foreign affairs.—Reuter.

## G.I. Brides Bill

Washington, Feb. 19.

The House passed and sent to the Senate a Bill extending by one year the time for alien G.I. brides to enter the United States without immigration quotas.—United Press.

## U.S. Air Force

Washington, Feb. 19.

The Air Force today announced that it had received 20,000 applications for enlistment in the Air Force because of large enlistments in the United States.

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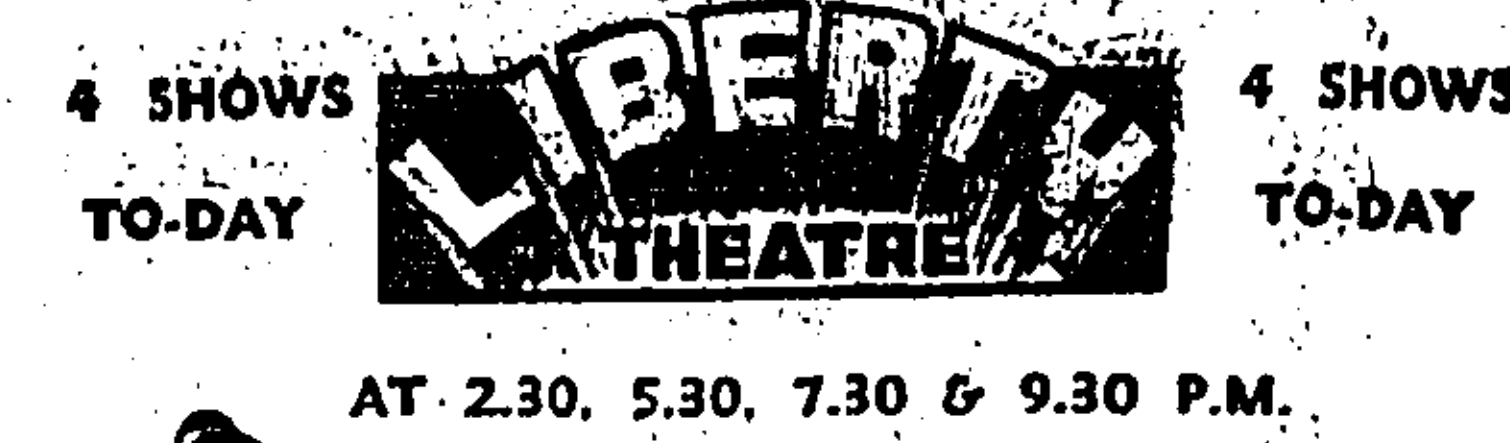
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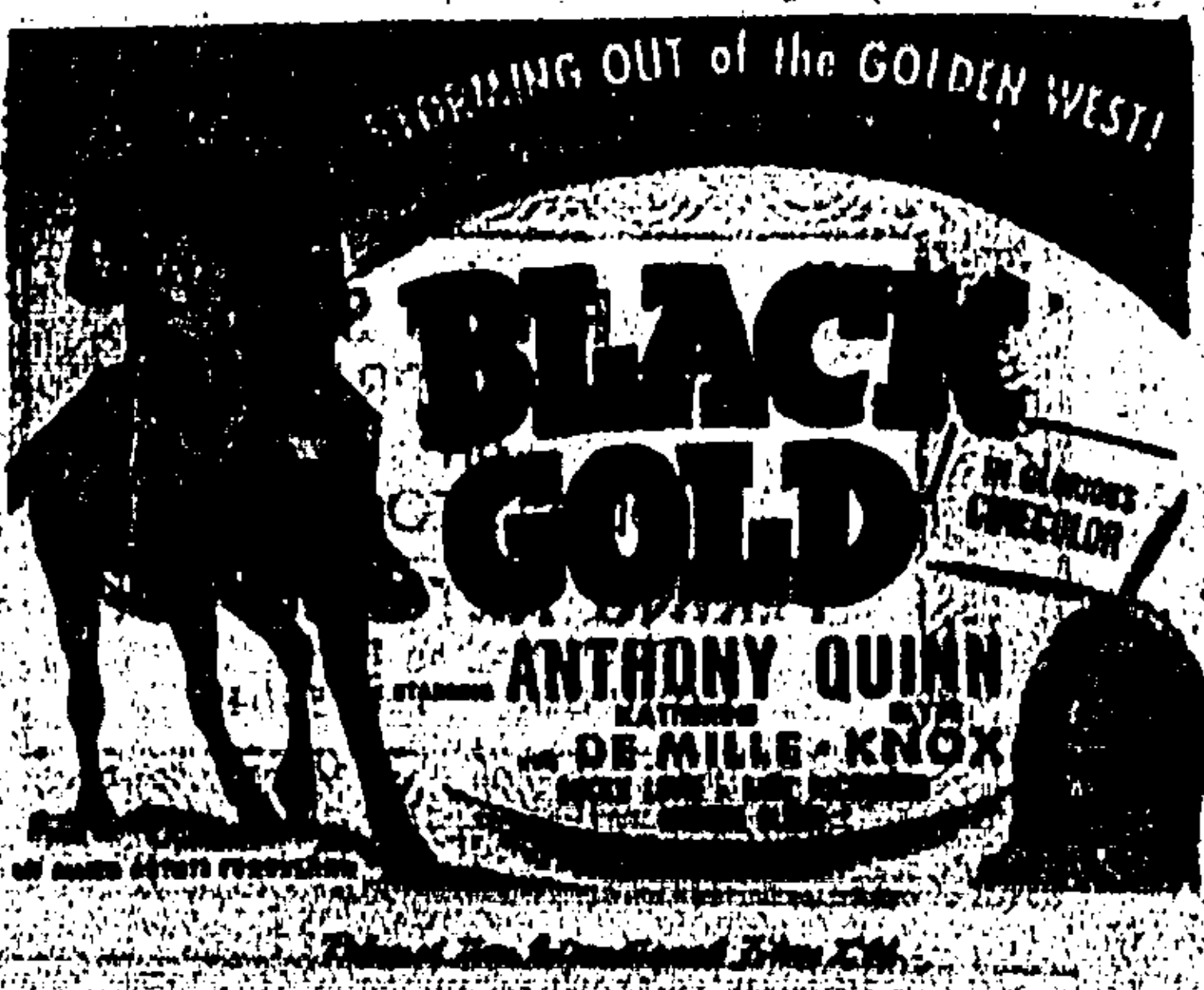
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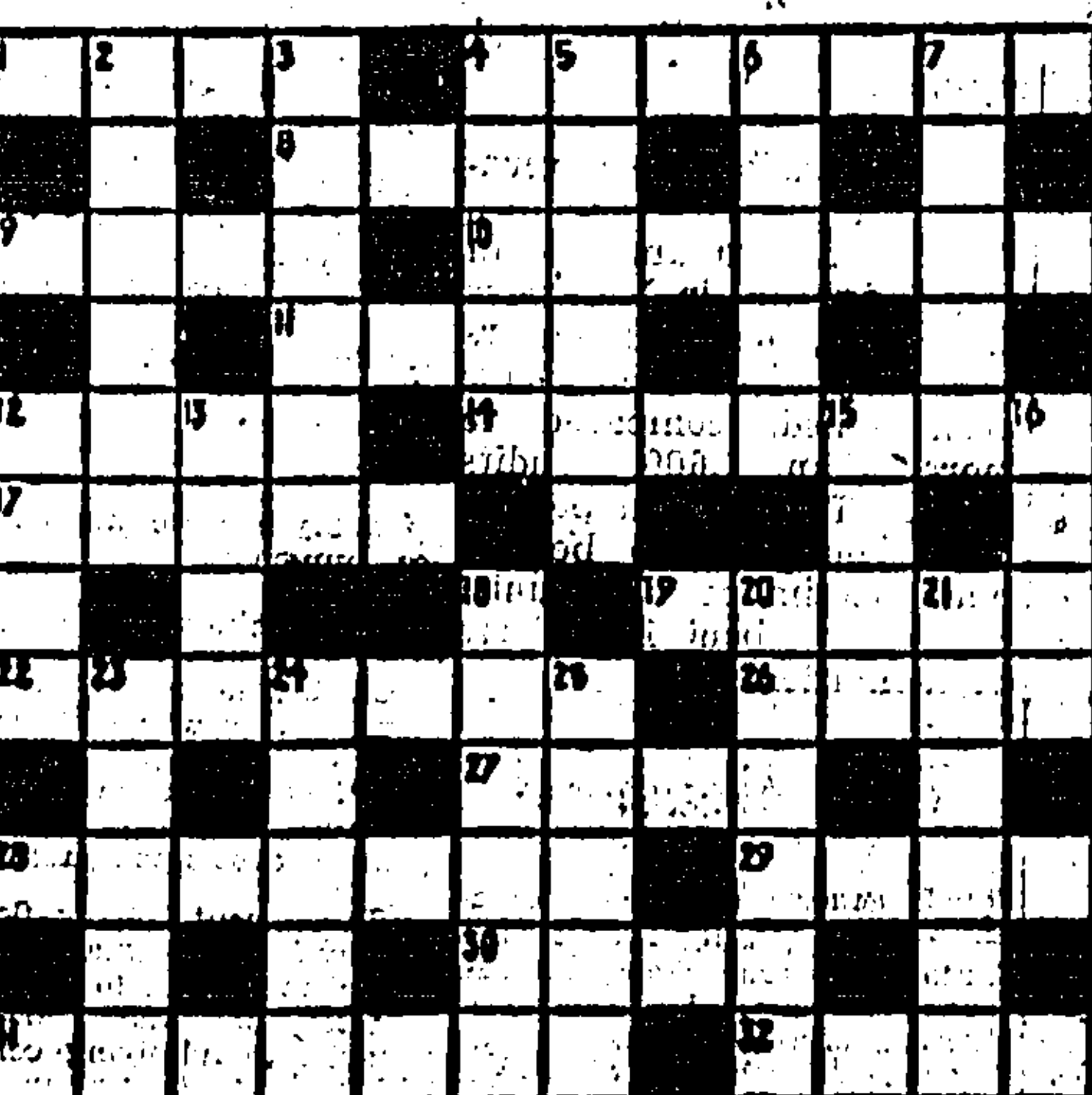


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# Ghost army of the Khyber Pass

By G. WARD PRICE

PESHAWAR.

If any romance remains in warfare, it is on the North-West Frontier, now the boundary of Pakistan.

Some of the finest chapters in British military history have been written among these barren, steep, milk-chocolate mountains. Thousands of former British soldiers, from Winston Churchill downwards, now leading peaceful lives at home, have nostalgic memories of that 400 miles of "dirt-coloured" territory that lies between Quetta and Peshawar.

You have to search hard to find a British soldier there today. A few officers are still on training duties with the Pakistan Army or Air Force, mostly packing up as their contracts expire.

But they may be back some day. For when you see tank-traps of "dragon's teeth" being renewed in the dark defiles of the Khyber Pass you naturally inquire the reason. "Russia" is the answer.

The menacing shadow of "the bear that walks like a man" has bedevilled this bit of Asia for 100 years.

"Whenever the moment of collision with Russia arrives," wrote the Viceroy of India, Lord Lytton, in 1878.

So millions of pounds and thousands of British lives were spent in occupying, fortifying, opening up and railway-tracking this wild and sterile country as a defence against the same danger that threatens it

today. "Every mile of this road has been paid for in British blood," said the Pakistan colonel by my side as we drove through the Khyber Pass.

Though the white and green crescent flag of Pakistan now flies over the great forts of Jamrud and Landi Kotai that guard the Khyber, the British have left their signature there. Carved on the solid rock crumbles are the badges of the British regiments that passed between them.

Shaped like the tombstones of a vanished army, the memorials range in date from the mid-19th century to 1947—the year when the British handed over the foreign defence and internal peace of India, with its first consequence a mutual massacre of Moslems and Hindus that cost more than 1,000,000 dead.

## History in stone

COUNTED a dozen regimental crests on a single cliff-face—the Chesters, the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, the South Wales Borderers, the Essex Regiment—an Army List in stone.

Yet if you drove through the Khyber today with your eyes shut you might think they were still there, for English words of command ring out in the narrow pass, and you may hear the pipes playing "Auld Lang Syne".

Even in outward fashion there is a close resemblance,

so near is the Pakistan Army in spirit and appearance to the British—the same uniforms, the old "apit and polsh," the neat whitewashed cantonments, the comfortable officers' messes, the British built, with all the verities over the fireplace, foxhunting pictures on the walls, and Punch and the illustrated London News lying on the table.

"These are the finest infantry in the world," said one of the last British brigadiers attached to them. "All they need is equipment."

## A feeble barrier

BETWEEN Pakistan and Russia lies only the decrepit State of Afghanistan—a feeble barrier that would vanish overnight if Russia ever chose to come this way, which is unlikely when her Chinese allies have a so much easier approach to the Indian sub-continent through Burma.

The actual frontier is guarded by the Khyber Rifles, a smart regiment of irregular troops under control of the Political Agent, and by a local police force called khassadars.

But the Khyber is only the tail-wagging end of the frontier, the bark and bite are at the other extremity in Waziristan. The British conquered all that country in the days when troops moved on foot, and the tribesmen with their rifles were as well armed as their invaders.

Now modern war material has reduced these mountain looters and feudists to no more than a nuisance level. They snipe at motor-cars, not with a view to hitting them but to maintain their title to the £7,000,000 annual subsidy that the Pakistan Government pays the 700,000 clansmen to keep them quiet.

## Plunder town

SO there is no access by road to Razmak, the famous fortified post on a plateau amid high mountains that the British built about 30 years ago.

It is now a ghost town, uninhabited except by a handful of khassadars, and plundered of all the baths, stoves, windows, and interior fittings the British left behind when the seven battalions stationed there marched out for the last time.

I flow over it this morning at a height of about 60ft. There was no sign of life, and but for the red corrugated iron roofs it resembled one of those military settlements left in Britain after the legions had been called back to Italy. Like them, it is quadrilateral in shape, with broad, straight streets intersecting at right angles.

At night bands like the Fakir of Ipi's men creep down from their mountain caves to carry off a bit more of the barbed-wire, or another door or two to use as firewood. "At least on 100 years of bold and benevolent British rule the old imperial days have ended."

What will happen now? Well, so long as the British-trained generation of officers and civilian officials are there the old impulse towards efficiency may continue—but graft is spreading, and new traditions like those of the Indian Civil Service and the British Army in India cannot be replaced except by gradual growth. The future of Pakistan is now in the hands of her own sons. All that Britain can do is to wish them well.



"If she thinks a Government defeat on the meat business could mean collecting this week's ration in a handcart, she's had it!" London Express Service

# MALAYA'S TERRORISTS BEING STARVED OUT

By Colin D. Edwards

AT the beginning of December, the operational situation in Malaya showed a slight trend of improvement. Two or three weeks before Christmas, there was a sudden sharp decrease in the number of incidents initiated by the Communists, the level of their activity has remained the same over the New Year.

On the other hand, the Army and police have maintained the pressure of their operations with telling effect. In November and December, Communist casualties were about 60 percent higher than the average for the previous six months. During January, the number of bandits killed and captured has fallen, but this was due to the severe flooding which has affected the whole country and restricted activities. Nevertheless, the January figure of bandit casualties was encouragingly higher than that pertaining last summer and autumn.

Casualties on the government side have remained light. In two and a half years' fighting in Malaya, a little more than 200 soldiers and 500 policemen have been killed, compared to more than 1,600 bandits killed. The civilian population continues to be the main victim of Communist terrorism. About 1,400 have been murdered.

## Two Measures

THE general decline in Communist activity over the last three or four months can largely be credited to the effectiveness of two measures. One is the establishment of village Home Guard Defence Units. The other measure is the resettlement programme, which has moved about 100,000 squatter farmers from areas where they were at the mercy of the terrorists. Their resettlement in "safer" areas has robbed the Communists of one of their main sources of food supply. The priority areas of Johore, Negri Sembilan, Malacca and South West Pahang will have completed their resettlement tasks by the first of May.

One of the reasons why the security forces have been able to gain more contacts with the bandits is because of the effects of the food denial measures, which included not only the resettlement of isolated communities but also the guarding of foodstuffs being moved by road. This is forcing the larger

gangs of bandits to split up, and many of their raids are staged with the sole purpose of getting food.

In Perak and Kelantan, small groups of terrorists foraging for food have been killed or captured by angry villagers who refused to be robbed at pistol point.

Among the terrorists killed in the last two months have been several prominent Communists. Two Malayan bandit leaders, Abdul Manan and Hithir bin Raji, were killed by security forces within a few hours of each other. In Kuala Lumpur, the Federal capital, two important members of the Communist underground movement—the Min Yuen—were arrested recently.

## Gang Leader

ONE of the many bandits who surrendered recently claimed that before deserting his gang he had killed Ah Hot, a gang leader who was one of the Big Five in the Selangor State Committee of the Malayan Communist party.

The number of bandits surrendering under the Government's lenient terms is still not high, largely due to the fact that the gang leaders keep a very ruthless control on their men and leave no one in doubt as to what will happen to them if they are suspected of any deviationism. Nevertheless, a number of gang members have broken away and given themselves up to the police recently, possibly because they are getting so hungry.

One Chinese woman bandit was found weak from lack of food beside the bodies of five companions who had starved to death. She told the police that she had not tasted rice for two months. She had been living off tapioca shoots and jungle leaves.

The recent heavy floods in Malaya forced many a bandit gang to move to the higher parts of the mountains. Despite awful flying conditions, RAF and Australian planes went out every day to blast away at the mountain tops and joined with RNZAF aircraft in dropping parachute-borne supplies to British, Gurkha and Malay troops on the ground.

## Help Refused

THE Army and Police did not let up on their operations against the terrorists, bringing their total of bandits killed during the two months up to January 18, to 58. In the same period, Gurkhas in one area of Pahang discovered and destroyed over 100 bandit camps.

In tackling the emergency situation, which has now lasted more than two and a half

years, the Government of Malaya is now adopting sterner measures. Towns in Perak and Kedah, which have consistently refused to help the authorities defeat the local terrorists, have been convicted under a new law and made to pay collective fines. The heaviest penalty fell on the town of Pusing, which was described by the Magistrate as "the worst town in Malaya." There have been 14 recorded murders in Pusing since June 1948. The murderers are still at large, because no

remain closed except for a few specified hours each day.

Another indication of the Government's determination to put all its resources into making the Briggs Anti-Bandit Plan a success is the decision to mobilise the manpower of Malaya. All males between the ages of 18 and 24 have been ordered to register for service in the Police or in the resettlement corps.

Only about 20,000 will actually be called up. They will



Two soldiers of the 1st Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) man a road block during a screening operation in North Johore.

one in Pusing will give information to the Police.

Last September, a school teacher was murdered by his Communist friends in front of a crowd of townspeople. No one would give information to the Police. In March 1949, the mother of a detective was beaten to death and cut to pieces. A few weeks ago, a Government resettlement officer was murdered in daylight in the centre of Pusing. No one came forward with any information.

Three people have been kidnapped from Pusing; bandits have walked openly into the town to get money and food; 47 houses in the district were burnt down by Communists; hand grenades were thrown into shops; motor cars were ambushed; Communist posters and flags were stuck up around the town; hundreds of identity cards were stolen. Such a town was Pusing—and no one gave any information to the Police to help them catch the murderers and the arsonists.

The people of Pusing, in the state of Perak, have to pay a fine of Straits \$40,000, and all the shops in the town must

either serve for two years in the regular police force, in the Police jungle companies or in the special constabulary, or they will be directed to help with the administration of the resettlement programme. They have the right to appeal against their call-up.

As soon as this measure was announced, thousands of Chinese youths throughout the Federation applied for certificates of admission, which will act as passports to take them to China. As well as getting the men needed for the campaign against Communist terrorism, the call-up is achieving the elimination of those disloyal elements who are only too willing to enjoy the benefits of living in Malaya but who are not prepared to defend it against subversive movements. What these young men do not realise is that when they get to China, they will be in even greater danger of being called upon to fight for police duties in Malaya but for battle service in the chilly wastes of Korea.

The jungle companies, which I mention, are police units who do more or less the same kind of work as the troops, are doing—patrolling, ambushing,



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## Open Badminton Championships

## BEST SCHOOLBOYS' SINGLES MATCH SO FAR SEEN IN CRAIGENGOWER SERIES

By "ARGONAUT"

As expected several interesting games were seen when the Colony Badminton Open Championships continued at Craigengower hall last night. Four of the seven matches played went to the full distance of three sets, and, although no upsets were recorded, thrills aplenty kept the capacity crowd on their toes for the major period of the evening.

In the best Schoolboys' Singles match seen so far, U Sei-ching of St Stephen's gave a grand exhibition of aggressive singles play to eliminate Wong Chong-ye of Diocesan Boys' School by 17-14 and 15-5.

The St Stephen's boy, who hails from Bangkok, set a fast pace from the first service, and with powerful smashes and hard strokes to the baseline ran to a lead of 9-3.

Countering with net drops and cross court smashes, Wong caught up at 12-12 and went on to lead 14-12, only to find U in a final burst of hurricane smashes take five points in a row for the first set.

In the second set, Wong's drops began to fall on the wrong side of the net, and his services, which were not of sufficient height, fell way short of the baseline, letting U employ his smash to good advantage.

Holding the racket with the typical flat-racket grip, U's greatest weakness is his backhand and if this could be improved, a good singles player is in the making.

**PINNED TO BASELINE**  
All round superiority enabled F. M. Rosario to annex his first set comfortably in his Junior Singles match against K. S. Thong. Being the harder hitter, he was able to pin Thong to the baseline, and to force him to send back his shots to the net or halfway across the opposite court.

Surprisingly, Rosario changed his tactics in the second set, against the time-tried adage of never changing a winning game, and started to put into use his drop shots with disastrous results.

Concentrating on his opponent's backhand, Thong was presented with several sitters which were easily put away for valuable points, to give him the second set at 15-8. Reverting to the safer tactics of his first set, Rosario managed just to amble home by 15-10.

After trailing behind by 3-10 in the first set, C. Devindra and Ivy Choong staged a magnificent recovery in their Junior Mixed game against B. K. L. Lui and Betty Baptista to take the first set 15-12. Ivy Choong was the best of the four players on view, catching her opponent's net-flights and half court placements.

C. Devindra, evidently out of practice, net across some good smashes which became more and more accurate as the game progressed.

In the other Junior Mixed Doubles match of the evening, the only schoolgirl entry in the Championships covered herself with glory in her debut in local badminton.

This was Cecile Arnulphy of Maryknoll School, who in partnership with St. Teresa's L. H. Erickson created a minor surprise to down Challandars Jimmy Koo and Mignon Yin in three sets, 15-17, 15-8 and 15-4.

Erickson covered the backcourt extremely well, but it was the able support of the young schoolgirl at the net that made victory possible for them. Starting with a trace of nerves, Cecile gradually dominated at the net, reaching her best in the third set, when even her backhand smashes came into prominence.

**CHAMPIONS THROUGH**  
The Colony Ladies' Doubles champions Mrs. H. F. Gonsalves and Miss Margaret Xavier began their opening game this season by being five points in arrears in their match against Kowloon Dock's J. Greenhalgh and KCC's Liza Benjamin. The greater steadiness and experience of the time-tested combination, however, prevailed.

Although Miss Greenhalgh more than held her own at the base, and earned rounds of applause with her hard strokes, the champions ramped home comfortably by 15-10 and 15-3. Myrtle Gonsalves was the mainstay of her side, giving a cool display, while Margaret Xavier appeared to be slightly off her usual form.

Lack of that little bit of steadiness and experience at the critical point was the cause of Chung Wah's K. Y. Tso and K. C. Wong going down to University's L. H. Tan and S. T. Hooi in the feature match of the evening.

The Wong-Tso pair actually had a lead of 9-5 in the first set, but a spell of errors conceded nine points in a row to their opponents, who had no difficulty in clinching the set point. In the second set they enjoyed a lead of 8-7, when again they cracked up to allow Tan and Hooi run up six points in one service, and take the set at 16-8.

**TIE RESULTS**  
Schoolboy Singles—U Sei-ching beat Wong Chong-ye 17-14, 15-5.  
Junior Men's Singles—Francis Rosario beat K. S. Thong 15-8, 15-11.

Junior Mixed Doubles—C. Devindra & Ivy Choong beat B. K. L. Lui & Miss B. Baptista 15-12, 15-2.  
Ladies' Doubles—Mrs. Myrtle Gonsalves & Miss Margaret Xavier beat Mrs. Liza Benjamin & Miss Joan Greenhalgh 15-10, 15-3.

Junior Men's Doubles—Sonny Hoi & Ho Weng-to beat Zander Tsok & K. Y. Wai 9-5, 15-8, 18-16.  
Junior Mixed Doubles—L. Erickson & Miss Cecile Arnulphy beat Jimmy Koo & Miss Mignon Yin 15-17, 15-8, 15-4.

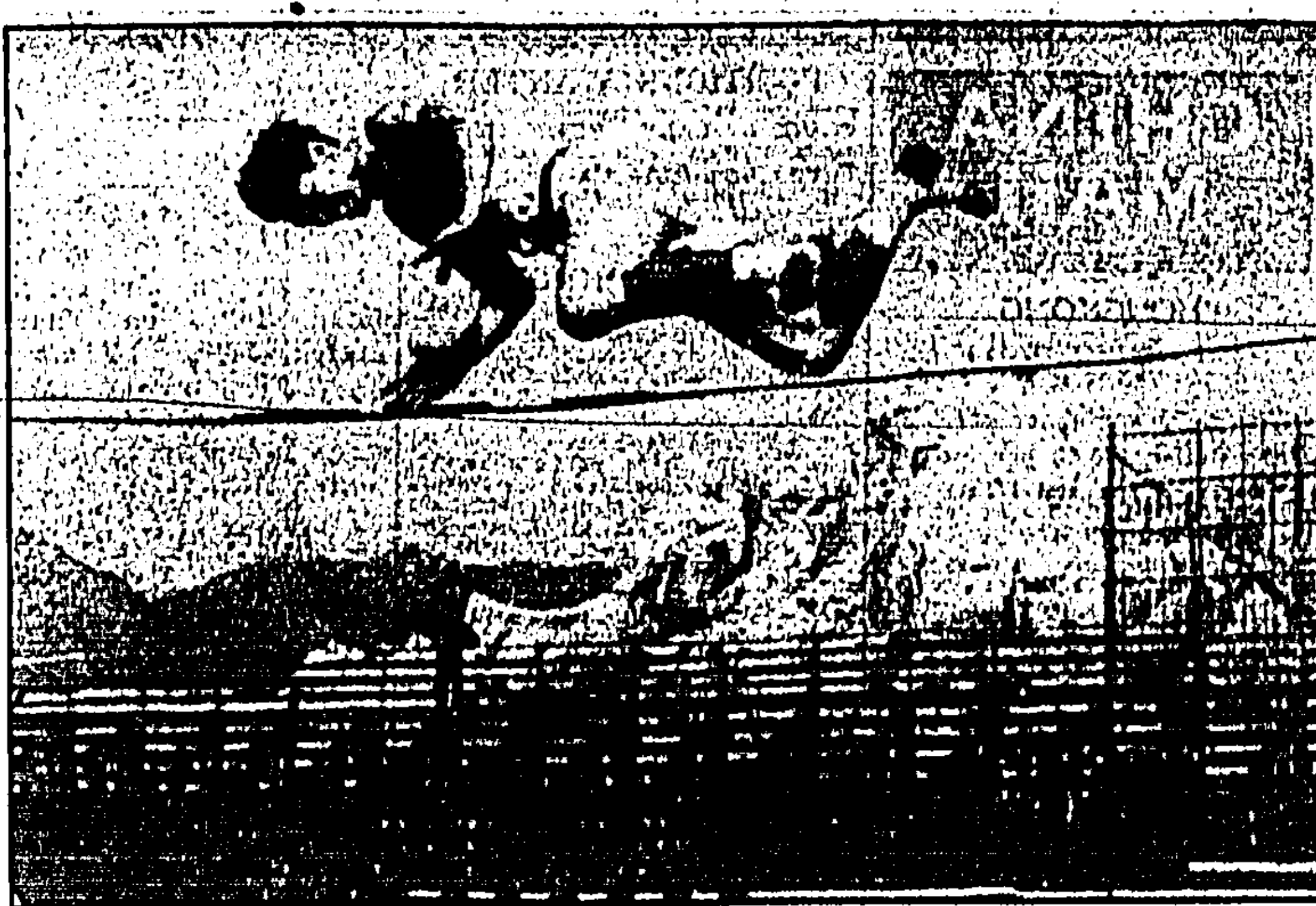
Junior Men's Doubles—Hooi Seng-tuck & Tan Koon-hong beat K. Y. Tso & K. C. Wong 15-10, 15-8.  
**TONIGHT'S GAMES**  
At St. Teresa's Church Hall 7.30 p.m. (Junior Men's Singles): Hooi Seng-tuck v B. el Arculli;

8 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles): C. C. Wong & D. Yeh v W. A. Dinkin & M. Sargent;  
8.30 p.m. (Senior Ladies' Singles): Miss Ulan Khoo v Miss Ivy Choong;

9 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles): S. G. Brown & M. Kempton v J. A. da Motta & J. Yvanovich;  
9.30 p.m. (Ladies' Doubles): Mrs. Elvise Tsok & Miss Helen Kwong v Mrs. J. A. Soares & Miss Gloria Silva;

10 p.m. (Junior Men's Doubles): K. H. Chin & N. K. Chin v F. W. Kwong & Francis Lee.

## SOME LEG-UP PRACTICE WOULD DO IT



Lo Ki, a radio operator with the New Territories Division, clears 5 feet 3 inches to win the high jump at the Police Sports at Boundary Street. The style is on the lines of the Texan rollover that is being used extensively now in America's southern states and on the West Coast and gets jumpers over 6 feet 8 inches. Everything else is correct in this picture except the jumper's uneducated feet. He should be able to clear six feet. — China Mail Photo.

## Final Interport Rugby Match Produced Only A Mediocre Duel

Says "HANLINCODE"

In the final Interport match played on the Club Ground, Happy Valley, on Saturday, the large number of spectators present witnessed a very mediocre duel. It was very disappointing in view of the fact that the previous two matches had been such good, even games. One got the impression that the Singapore team were tired men, and wonders if this was due to hospitality or the other two very hard games they had played. Perhaps it was a combination of both.

The Singapore pack lacked the fire and dash they had previously displayed and when they did feed Hart, he seemed unable to decide which way to pass until it was too late to make any effective move at all. Harrison, who moved from the centre to stand off very early in the game, did not really get moving or seem able to co-ordinate his threees. He also left his shooting boots behind in the billet, which was a great pity, because he had some really good chances to lessen the margin.

Of the visitors, Coulson, the full back, alone seemed to be on his game. His taking, clearing and air of cool confidence delighted the crowd and there is no doubt that he saved his side on quite a few occasions.

The Colony pack, while displaying the more aggressive spirit, did not seem unduly ruffled and to single out any particular one would be an injustice to the others. All worked hard and in a very orthodox manner.

It was a great pity that Nolan, the Club stand-off, was unable to play. His fine display on Thursday night had quite whetted the appetites of the crowd and to learn that an injury sustained there was keeping him out of the game disappointed many present.

However, the selectors had moved Lattey in from centre and put Norman in his place. This proved to be a very wise choice, because Norman, of the Navy, who showed such fine promise at the beginning of the season, proved that this was no flash in the pan.

His cuts through were beautifully timed, and his handling, a highlight of the afternoon. Indeed, the Colony backs had plenty of opportunity to display their talents and all of them did a very good job. Borwick played a very sound game as full back.

Lattey opened the score for Hongkong, but Clayden failed to convert. Next McNabb kicked a penalty goal, then he scored, but failed to convert his own try.

The next move came from Singapore when a kick ahead gave Willar his chance to make three for his team. Lattey

then replied with another try which Thomas failed to add to. Half time came with Hongkong 12, Singapore 3.

In the second session, McNabb scored two tries which Clayden converted both times and the game ended. Hongkong 22, Singapore 9.

This brought to a close the week of Rugby games which have been enjoyed by all who have seen them.

Dr. Eberle refereed the game in the manner which one expects of him.

The Pipes and Drums of the King's Own Scottish Borderers entertained the spectators before, during the interval and after the game with a superb display of marching and piping that was enjoyed by all. Thanks Jock.

**THE TEAMS**  
Singapore: Coulson, Martin, Dale, Harrison, Dillon, Willar, Smith, Hart, Blythe, Patterson, Crawshaw, Warner, Farr, Simon, Douglas, Carnell.

Hongkong: Borwick, Lattey, Clayden, Norman, McNabb, Lattey, Goldschmidt, Carter, Moffat, Curran, Hancock, Minto, Thomas, Cole, Henderson.

## SNOOKER'S CHAMPIONS IN ACTION

Local snooker enthusiasts were able to watch the Colony's leading cue-men in action last night at the Club Lusitano, when the Club, as Colony Champions, entertained a team selected from the remaining teams in the League.

A few of the evening's highlights were provided by J. M. Medina, whose mastery of the cue-ball plus his ability to pot with accuracy were a delight to watch.

G. Low of Eastern Athletic, again played with his usual consistency and his angle cuts into the centre pockets were only a little short of miraculous.

J. Taylor of HQ Land Forces gave an exhibition of accurate potting during his match against G. Soares and one could almost sense the ball was going down even before it was hit.

Full credit must be given to the young players, upon whom the Club Lusitano were forced to rely in order to complete a team of ten.

There is no doubt that in these young players the Club have a very strong potential and it is going to be quite a difficult task to wrest the Championship Shields away from the present holders.

**THE SCORES**  
The final results at the end of the evening were:—  
Club Lusitano

A. P. Pereira ..... 28  
A. M. Ozorio ..... 33  
J. M. Medina ..... 10  
S. Soares ..... 20  
J. L. Sequeira ..... 41  
F. De Silva ..... 32  
J. M. S. Xavier ..... 53  
M. J. Noronha ..... 41  
E. Da Rosa ..... 43  
A. J. Rodrigues ..... 38

**THE REST**  
I. Thomson ..... 44  
G. Low ..... 47  
W. H. Cowie ..... 31  
J. Taylor ..... 40  
H. Nayica ..... 28  
F. K. Hoo ..... 58  
F. C. Woodman ..... 32  
M. Grimpel ..... 04  
R. S. Beattie ..... 08  
J. Conder ..... 02

The Rest won by 7 frames to 3.

## South Africans Select Team For English Tour

Durban, Feb. 19.  
South Africa's cricket team to tour England this summer was announced here today as follows:

A. D. Nourse (Natal, Captain), E. A. B. Rowan (Transvaal, Vice-Captain), J. E. Cheetham (Western Province), G. W. A. Chubb (Transvaal), R. A. McLean (Natal), D. J. McGlew (Natal), N. B. F. Mann (Eastern Province), M. C. Carthy (Natal), C. M. McCarthy (Natal), A. M. B. Rowan (Transvaal), C. B. Van Ryneveld (Western Province) and J. H. B. Walter (Eastern Province).

There is a good leavening of experience in the team, the average age of which is 28. Eight of them have already gained Springbok "Caps" either on tour abroad or in the Union.

**SOUTH AFRICAN CRICKET TRIAL**  
Durban, Feb. 19.  
Dudley Nourse's side won the South African tour trial match here today, beating Eric Rowan's XI by four wickets.

At the start of the final day's play, Nourse's side required 305 runs for victory with 10 wickets in hand, and these they knocked off for the loss of six more wickets.

Each side batted 12 players. The final scores were: Eric Rowan's XI 336 and 190; Dudley Nourse's XI 293 and 220 for seven wickets.

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Saturday 3rd March 1951

The First Bet will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The fifteen interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are eleven races each day (33 in all). The "Pearce Memorial Cup" is scheduled to be run on the Second Day, Wednesday, 28th February, Race No. 6 at 3.30 p.m.

Through Tickets at \$98.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office, of the Treasurers, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup", the sale of which will close at 5.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th February.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 23rd February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Office at 5, D'Agallier Street, Hong Kong.

382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.  
**MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE**  
SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES WILL NOT BE ISSUED FOR THE 1951 RACING SEASON UNTIL 1ST APRIL, 1951. 1950 SETS ARE VALID UNTIL THEN.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.  
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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.  
The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21018).

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## Rugby League Cup Draw

London, Feb. 19.  
The draw for the second round of the Rugby League Cup, made today, resulted as follows:

Keighley v. Halifax.  
Barrow v. Workington Town.  
Salford v. Dewsbury.  
Bradford v. Northern Swinton.

Warrington v. Featherstone Rovers.  
Rochdale v. Batley.  
Belle Vue Rangers v. Huddersfield.  
Leeds v. Leigh.

Ties are to be played on Saturday, March 3.—Reuter.

## Victorians To Play Dutch On Saturday

The Ladies' League hockey match between the Victorians and the Dutch Ladies, which was postponed from January 18, will be played at the King George V School ground at 3 p.m. on Saturday, February 24.

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SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves, ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co's Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

EMBARKATION: Will take place on SATURDAY the 24TH FEBRUARY between 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

## MALAYA TIN PRODUCERS EXPECT CONSUMPTION TO SHOW AN INCREASE

Singapore, Feb. 19.

Malayan tin producers are of the opinion that 1951 will be a more profitable year than 1950, and that present prices are likely to be maintained. They are confident that no "burdensome surplus" is likely to materialise for some time.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The volume of business transacted on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$399,970.00. The half day's business and closing prices were as follows:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS  
BANKS  
JIC Bank 95 @ 120  
20 @ 125  
20 @ 125  
20 @ 125

East Asia 100  
Canton 250  
Union 670 25 @ 800  
Indonesian 20  
HK Fire 140  
DOCKERS, ETC.  
IC Wharf 70 100 @ 81  
N. P. Wharf 5 520  
Dock 12 310  
Wheelock 20 200 @ 21  
LAND, ETC.  
HK Hotel 0.80 7 500 @ 7  
500 @ 6.50

HK Land 30 30  
Shai Land 1.35  
Utilities  
Tram 12.50 200 @ 12 1/2  
Star Ferry 0.05 500 @ 0.10  
C. Light (O) 6 271 @ 6  
500 @ 3.75  
C. Light (N) 3.70 3.80 500 @ 3.70  
1000 @ 3.75

Bonus Shares 5.80 0 800 @ 5.80  
Electric 29 20 1/4 1000 @ 29 1/4  
100 @ 29 1/4  
100 @ 29 1/4  
100 @ 29 1/4  
1000 @ 10  
Telephone 9 1/2  
Tel. (New) 8 1/4

INDUSTRIALS  
Cement 12 1/2 13 1/2 500 @ 13  
STORES, ETC.  
Dairy 12 1/2  
Dairy (N) 11 1/2  
Watson 21 1/2 30 @ 21  
300 @ 21 1/2  
L. Crawford 21 1/2  
Sincere 2.90  
COTTONS  
Ewo 2.20

## LONDON TIN MARKET

The tin market opened today strong, willing to recover the ground lost on last week. Turn-over was 105 tons, including 35 tons for spot.

Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:  
Spot tin, buyers 1.40  
Spot tin, sellers 1.40  
Business done at 1.40  
Three-months tin, buyers 1.45  
Three-months tin, sellers 1.45  
Business done at 1.45  
Settlement 1.45  
—United Press

## New York Rubber Futures

The dullness continued in both spot and futures market for rubber. No transacting took place on the Commodity Exchange, incorporated where the final prices nominally were unchanged to up 200 points.

The outstanding interest in rubber futures up to the close of trading on Friday totaled 139 contracts, including 79 contracts in March delivery, May 40, and July 20 contracts of 10-ton lots each. Under the Government regulations, this position must be liquidated by March 31.

Prices closed today as follows:  
Spot 74.00  
March 63.50 bid  
May 63.00 bid  
July 62.50 bid  
—United Press

## New York Sugar Futures

New York, Feb. 19. World sugar futures closed here today 3 to 11 points higher, with sales totalling 445 contracts.

Contract No. 6 closed here today 1 lower to 1 higher, with sales totalling 31 contracts. Prices closed today as follows:  
Contract No. 4 (world) 4.85 bid  
March 4.85 bid  
July 4.91 traded  
September 4.90-4.91 traded  
Contract No. 5  
May 5.25 bid  
September 5.25 bid  
Spot 5.40  
—United Press

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local financial exchange market this morning at the following rates:  
U.S. dollars (per \$1) 15.25  
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 3.50  
Siam (per 100) 30.00  
Singapore (per 100) 1.75  
FIC (per 100) 12.50

## Crude Rubber

New York, Feb. 19. Crude rubber (No. 1) futures closed quiet with no sales.

It is felt that, with extremely high industrial activity in Great Britain, the United States and elsewhere, the present rate of consumption is likely to be maintained if not exceeded, and that world production will not be sufficient to keep pace with combined stockpiling and immediate consumption.

Despite additional dredges which should be working this year, production in Malaya is unlikely to exceed last year's total of about 60,000 tons by more than 5,000 tons. At present 78 dredges are in operation, while three new units are nearing the production stage, but seven are due to close down for major repairs which will take several months.

There are 530 small gravel-pump opencast mines in operation, but the lack of electric power restricts their operation for several hours daily and the power situation seems unlikely to improve sufficiently to permit full-time operation during 1951. Malayan production this year therefore is likely to be little more than last year's 60,000 tons.

WORLD OUTPUT  
World production in 1951 is estimated to be about 100,000 tons, and consumption about 145,000 tons, somewhat lower than in 1949 when rationing was in force. Stockpile purchases easily absorb the difference between production and consumption.

It is pointed out that several countries are still not fully rehabilitated, and when this is accomplished consumption of tin will increase, while there is as yet no evidence of any switch from tin to substitutes such as aluminium.

Political conditions are bound to exert some influence on future consumption, but it is unlikely that these influences will result in decreased consumption in 1951, as the whole tendency at present is to acquire maximum stocks of metal, as witnessed by the

## Global Economic Position Surveyed By United Nations

Lake Success, Feb. 19.

Dr Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, tonight issued a UN survey of the global economic situation for 1949-50.

It noted economic progress in occupied Japan and Western Germany as well as most of Europe, but warned that the world's "under-developed" countries have been making little or no progress.

The survey predicted cut-backs in civilian consumption in the United States and other nations "retarding in the near future." It said "under-developed" countries in Latin-America and the Far East showed "relatively little economic progress during this period while some of them even retrogressed." While the basic lack of productive equipment is the underlying cause of under-employment in under-developed countries, these countries are shown to be subject also to problems of industrial unemployment, especially where effective demand falls or supply of raw materials is inadequate.

The report recorded improvements in industrial production and supply of food and other consumption goods in both Eastern and Western Germany.

On Japan the report noted: "After adoption of an economic stabilization programme in December, 1948, there was some increase in the physical volume of production in 1949 followed by a further increase in the first half of 1950. Increased production was probably due in main to higher productivity."

The level of unemployment remained about the same throughout the entire period and the volume of visible unemployment remained low in relation to the labour force.

"Between 1948 and 1950 the margin between the official prices and the free and black market prices narrowed appreciably owing to the improvement in supplies, and real wages increased substantially."

## Sewing Machines

Nuremberg, Feb. 19. Germany has become the world's biggest exporter of sewing machines, it was announced at the meeting of manufacturers in Nuremberg today. The German Government has decided to export 15,000 machines to Italy, and 15,000 to the United States.

## Cotton Textile Market

New York, Feb. 19. Quiet conditions continued to prevail in the cotton textile market today. Mills awaited action by Price Stabilization Agency on whether raw cotton is to be under price control.

The wool goods market was stalemated by pricing uncertainties and the strike of woolen and worsted mill workers. Rayon goods were dull. —Associated Press.

## Trade Union Conference In Warsaw

London, Feb. 19. Trade union officials from all over the world, including France and Italy, began talks in Warsaw today at a meeting of the "World Federation of Trade Unions" Warsaw Trade Union.

Mr. Louis Ballant, the Secretary-General of the Federation's Executive, said in a statement that the work of the Executive and affiliated unions were assuming "increasing importance in view of the Anglo-American war preparations."

The first duty of trade unionists, he added, was to fight for peace by all the means at their disposal.

Official leaders of East European countries, including M. Vassili Kuznetsov, of the Soviet Union, were present at the meeting.

A communique later broadcast by Warsaw Radio said that the meeting was "to co-ordinate the international action of trade unionists all over the world for the defence of peace."

It was decided to transfer the Federation's headquarters immediately from Paris to Warsaw because of the French Government's ban on its activities so that smooth working could start on Feb. 26, the communique added. —Reuter.

## British Govt. Bonds

London, Feb. 19. President selling knocked up to 1/4 of point off the price of Exchequer government bonds on the London Exchange today.

Ons lost ground and foreign bonds were dull.

Industrial blue chip issues were mainly firmer. Textile and engineering issues were in special demand.

Japanese bonds of the 1907 series shed 1/4 of a point to close at 55 3/4 and the 1930s were off a full point at 75. The 1910s gained half a point at 42.

The Financial Times Index: 123.1. —Associated Press.

## Newspaper Strike In Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires, Feb. 19. Representatives of the independent newspaper La Prensa and of the News Vendors' Union held a two-hour meeting on Monday and scheduled another for Tuesday in an effort to settle the dispute that has halted publication of the paper.

Monday's meeting, the second since Friday, ended at 8 p.m. No statement was made by either side.

The strike started 25 days ago when the union demanded the exclusive right to distribute the paper in Buenos Aires, plus 20 percent of La Prensa's "want" ad income. —United Press.

## Strike On Bourse

Paris, Feb. 19. Brokers' employees staged a surprise one-day warning strike at the Paris Bourse today, stopping most stock trading and closing down the gold market. The strikers demand a 15 percent pay increase. —United Press.

## CHICAGO GRAIN FUTURES

Chicago, Feb. 19. Prices of grain futures closed here today as follows:  
Wheat—price per bushel  
Spot 2.55  
March 2.55-2.56  
May 2.56-2.57  
July 2.57-2.58  
September 2.58-2.59  
December 2.59-2.60  
Corn  
Spot 1.26  
March 1.26-1.27  
May 1.27-1.28  
July 1.28-1.29  
September 1.29-1.30  
December 1.30-1.31  
Rye  
Spot 1.00-1.01  
March 1.01-1.02  
May 1.02-1.03  
July 1.03-1.04  
September 1.04-1.05  
December 1.05-1.06  
Oats  
Spot 1.00  
March 1.00-1.01  
May 1.01-1.02  
July 1.02-1.03  
September 1.03-1.04  
December 1.04-1.05  
New York Flour—per 50 lb. sack  
\$1.70—United Press

## Singapore Rubber Futures

Singapore, Feb. 19. Prices of rubber futures here closed today as follows:  
Number 1 rubber, per lb.  
February 220-221  
March 219-220  
April 218-219  
May 217-218  
June 216-217  
July 215-216  
August 214-215  
September 213-214  
October 212-213  
November 211-212  
December 210-211  
Number 2 rubber, per lb.  
February 210-211  
March 209-210  
April 208-209  
May 207-208  
June 206-207  
July 205-206  
August 204-205  
September 203-204  
October 202-203  
November 201-202  
December 200-201  
Number 3 rubber, per lb.  
February 200-201  
March 199-200  
April 198-199  
May 197-198  
June 196-197  
July 195-196  
August 194-195  
September 193-194  
October 192-193  
November 191-192  
December 190-191

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A surface mail to United Kingdom per RMS Chusan will be closed on February 22. This mail is expected to arrive in London on or about 22nd March, 1951.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Closing Times By Air

Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A. (letters second class mail and parcels), Guam, (letters and second class mail), Canada, (letters only), 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Time By Sea  
Malaya, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Closing Times By Air

Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, and New Zealand, 9.30 a.m.  
Okinawa, 2 p.m.  
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Iraq, Iran, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe and France, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, 5 p.m.  
Canada & U.S.A., 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Closing Time By Sea  
Indonesia, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Closing Times By Air

Formosa, 10 a.m.  
India, Pakistan, Persian Gulf Ports, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, Malaya & Indonesia, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China & French North Africa, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Indo-China, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Closing Times By Air

D.N. Borneo, Australia, and New Zealand, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A. (letters second class mail and parcels), Guam, (letters and second class mail), Canada, (letters only), 5 p.m.  
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, India, Persian Gulf Ports, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
D.N. Borneo, Madagascar, India, Arabia, Egypt, and N.W. Europe & France, (par & reg), 5 p.m. (ord).

## Ticket-Scalper Fined \$200

A fine of \$200 or four weeks was imposed on Lam Wai, 23, unemployed, by Mr. Latimer at Central District Court when he pleaded guilty to a breach of the public entertainment regulations. According to the prosecution, at about 7 o'clock last night, defendant with 14 tickets in his hand offered them for sale to patrons waiting to go into the King's Theatre. He was seen by two detectives and caught with the tickets in his possession.

## Franco Receives Brazilian Decoration



## Eight Years, 12 Strokes For Robber

A 32-year-old unemployed who held up and robbed a courier couple near the three-and-a-half mile post on the Tai Po Road last November was sent to gaol for eight years, by Mr. Justice Scholes in the Supreme Court this morning. He was also ordered to receive 12 strokes of the cane.

He was Cheuk Kam-ling of no fixed abode. He had pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery with aggravation and illegal possession of a revolver and ammunition.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuting said at 8 p.m. on November 5 Ip Kwong-fai and his fiancée were sitting on the steps of a building near the 3 1/2 mile post on the Tai Po Road when the accused came up to them.

Brandishing a gun he told them not to move and proceeded to rob them. As the accused tried to take a watch off the man's wrist the complainant grabbed hold of him and shouted for help. With assistance from passers-by the accused, was overpowered and arrested.

## DANCE POSTPONED

Because of the massed bands concert in Kowloon on the same day, the tea dance arranged to be held at the Kowloon Cricket Club next Sunday has been postponed.

The neck of General Franco being adorned with the "Brazilian Grand Collar of the Cruzeiro do Sul order," by Mr. Rulien Ferreira de Mello, Brazilian Ambassador to Spain, during a Madrid ceremony. He is assisted by Marquis De Prat, Chief of the American Section of the Spanish Foreign Ministry. — London Express Service.

## SPC's New Secretaries

The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children recently lost an enthusiastic voluntary worker when Mrs. V. Collins found it necessary to resign her position as Honorary Secretary on account of ill health.

The Society decided to advertise for applications to fill the post, and it is a tribute to the public spirit of Hong Kong residents that not fewer than 18 applications were received.

In view of the ever increasing work of the Society the Executive Committee decided to appoint a joint Honorary General Secretaries, and feel fortunate in securing the services of Mr. W. P. Birks, of Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd., and Miss Winnie Lynn, who have now taken up their duties.

## Snatching Was Robbery

Remarking that it was not a case of simple larceny but of robbery, Mr. Wickes at Kowloon this morning sentenced Ho Chi, 24, unemployed, to six months' hard labour plus eight strokes of the cane for snatching a \$90 gold bangle from a woman in Shanghai Street yesterday.

Inspector J. O'Brien stated that while complainant was walking along Shanghai Street, near Yung Choi Street, defendant approached her from behind, held her left arm and snatched the bangle.

Detective Police Constable Fung Yu-pu and Detective Sergeant Chan Yan, who were instrumental in the arrest of defendant, were commended by the Magistrate.

## Radio Hongkong

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